

REMARKS

Claims 1, 4-7 and 16-24 remain in the application. Claims 2, 3, 8-15 and 25-35 have been cancelled.

First, claims 5-7, 9-15, 18, 21, 22 and 25-35 were previously withdrawn from further consideration pursuant to 37 CFR 1.142(b) as being drawn to a nonelected invention and species with no allowable generic or linking claim.

Second, claims 1, 2 and 8 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Beschke (USPN 2,239,313). However, claims 3, 4, 16, 17, 19, 23 and 24 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but are indicated as being allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Applicant has amended independent claim 1 to include all of the limitations of allowable claim 3. Further, dependent claim 4 and previously withdrawn claims 5-7 have each been amended to depend from amended claim 1 as a generic claim and should all now be in condition for allowance. Applicant has cancelled claims 8-15.

Additionally, Applicant has rewritten allowable claim 16 in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim 1. Claims 17 and 18 depend from independent claim 16, and thus, should also be in condition for allowance.

Finally, Applicant has rewritten allowable claim 19 in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim 1. Claims 20-24 each depend from independent claim 19, and therefore, should also now be in condition for allowance. The remaining claims 25-35 have been cancelled.

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Accordingly, it is believed that the application is in condition for more favorable consideration and allowance.

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